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MEMORANDUM TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: Monthly Progress Report

I. Implementation of recently proposed plans and policies.

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1. [ ] assumed his duties as Chief, FBIB, on 29 September 1947.

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3. With the abandonment of plans for construction at [ ] [ ] preparations have been made to dispatch a survey team to Okinawa to select possible sites for a monitoring station and to make a preliminary determination of probable construction costs.

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[ ] Tests of its technical suitability and investigation of terms of availability are being conducted. It is recommended that the linguist and editorial staff of this operation be retained at headquarters for the duration of the housing shortage.

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6. The Civil Service Commission has now allocated many of the departmental positions proposed for FBIB, and it is expected that the entire table of organization can be implemented during the coming month. It is also expected that the coming month will complete security clearance for all departmental and some field employees.

II. Accomplishment of overall mission, including firmly established individual objectives.

1. In compensation for the delay in establishing a permanent monitoring station in the Far East, stop-gap monitoring at [ ] [ ] of broadcasts unmonitorable on [ ] or West Coast because of poor reception or lack of suitable linguists has been

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25X1A extended. [ ] Bureau, in addition to selective filing of Radio  
25X1A [ ] news releases, now covers broadcasts  
in Korean (from Pyongyang and Moscow), Mandarin (from Moscow),  
Tonkinese (from Saigon), Malayan (from Republican Indonesia and  
Singapore), Japanese (from Nanking) and Dutch (from Batavia). Some  
two thirds of its 10,000 word daily teletype file are devoted to  
this monitored material. Arrangements have been made to increase its  
coverage range beginning in October by utilizing the [ ]  
25X1A ing station at [ ] and telephone circuits to [ ] Except for  
the editorial operation, most of this coverage is without cost to  
FBIB, personnel and facilities being supplied by SCAP and Signal  
Corps.

2. Delays in the establishment of a Far East station have also  
occasioned a recommendation to increase the [ ] table of organiza-  
tion by four positions, and to improve the technical equipment at  
this post.

25X1A 3. Material intercepted and processed by the [ ] Bureau but  
25X1C not cabled to Washington because of high communications rates is now  
being reproduced at [ ] along with cabled material, in a daily  
publication, some fifty copies of which are distributed directly to  
American and [ ] officials in the Near East. A study is being  
made of the cost of this operation in relation to its value to local  
and Washington users.

4. During most of August the American Embassy in Moscow was  
furnished a daily roundup of USSR radio intercepts via Signal Corps  
circuits from London. The service was discontinued upon discovery  
that Signal Corps was diverting the traffic to commercial carriers  
and charging FBIB for it.

5. In addition to the weekly Soviet radio survey and other  
propaganda studies, Special Reports were prepared during the month  
containing factual material from radio broadcasts concerning "Inflation  
in Latin America", "Soviet Transportation System" and "Communist Tactics  
in France and Italy".

### III. Personnel Report for Month ending 20 September 1947.

1. Departmental Employees
  2. Field Employees
  3. New Appointments
  4. Separations
  5. Names and entrance on duty dates of new employees:
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